

The LECs operate an "essential facility", and should have to accommodate other ISP firms that wish to purchase access from them. I would assume that the only reason this is being considered, different as currently phone company guidelines, is because the smaller ISPs do not have the lobbying clout of the competing phone companies. This wholesale provisioning stimulates competition and benefits consumers. Chairman Powell: Please do not sell out to BIG BUSINESS, at the expense of competition and the small businesses of our country.

Get real guys. Make rules that apply to everyone and not selective groups who can afford to bend and sway the mode in Washington.

Actually I recently switched back to an independent provider because my broadband charges have gotten far too expensive.